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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

In a train wreck on the Atlantic Coast Line near Montgomery, Ala., one man was killed and four persons injured. ——J. E. Christian shot and killed at Ocenes, W. Va., —— The French government will present a bust of LaFayette to the University of Virginia. —— Japanese war ships are in the China sea to meet the Russian squadron. —— Woman at Detroit, Mich., blown to pieces by explosion of a cartridge sent her by her brother, a sailor in the United States navy. —— Seven men suffocated in a mine near Bolivar, Pa. —— Japs report the repulse of an attack by Russians at Port Arthur. —— J. H. Adams, convicted and sentenced to be hanged, but who escaped, has been captured in Colleton county, S. C. —— Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick and her husband have been jointly indicted for forging a $5,000,000 note signed Andrew Carnegie. —— Jury in the case of Nan Patterson were unable to agree u on a verdict, and at 11.30 P. M. were locked up for the night. —— Emperor Nicholas has notified the Russian people that the agitation for a constitution is useless. —— Thomas W. Dewey passed through Raleigh last night on his way to Newbern, to stand trial. —— Dense fog still envelopes London and the whole of the united kingdom. —— Twenty-seven persons were overcome by coal gas in a crowded tenement home in Philadelphia, and twelve were taken to a hospital but it is believed they will re over. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call was quoted steady at 2½@2¾ per ct.; cotton—the market was quiet at 7.60c; flour was steady but quiet; wheat—spot steady; No. 2 red $1.18 afloat; corn—spot firm, No. 2 55½; oats—spot firm; mixed, 26@32 pounds, 35¾c; rosin firm; spirits turpentine steady at 53@53½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 22,

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 33; 8 P. M., 47 degrees; maximum, 52 degrees; minimum 32 degrees; mean 45 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 1.68 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—For North Carolina: Fair and warmer Friday. Saturday rain, fresh south winds.

Port Almanac—December 23.

Sun Rises	7.08 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.59 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 38 M.
High Water at Southport	8.07 A. M.
High Water at Wilmington	10.37 A. M.

Santa Claus is a Sunday traveller, but it is not his fault.

The South has a new peril—the Presidential Bootlick.

This is the time of year that every diplomatic woman will gum shoe around any misunderstanding with the old man.

A Delaware man asks the mayor of Chicago to find him a wife. Perhaps other places besides Chicago have wives to spare.

Hear the tinkle of the rheindeer bells, Santa Claus' rig is near; How the weird and merry tinkle swells In every totsie's ear!

Congress has refused to allow the inaugural ball to take place in the capitol. Only Congressmen's bawls will be allowed there.

There were 19,694,855 admissions to the St. Louis exposition, 12,804,616 being paid and 6,840,239 free. The dead-head list was something fierce.

"There is a fortune in cotton waists," says a promotor of industries. Can't interest us just now. This is our busy day chasing the kind in silk waists.

New phases of religion keep cropping out. Some how or other, however, most people are willing to trust those who have got plenty of the old kind.

"Are fairy tails believed?" asks a writer. Not by many married ladies when the old man attempts to entertain them with a song and dance accompaniment.

A Chicago man applied to a judge to prevent his wife from talking. We guess the judge shook his head and knew enough law to refer the applicant to a surgeon.

A darkey brought us a present yesterday and said, "Mr. —— sens dis wid 'is accomplishments." We had to smile at what the darkey said, but it turned out that our first Christmas gift called for—more smiles.

Says the Richmond Dispatch: "Newport News is to build the cruiser North Carolina, and when launching time comes, the folks from 'down home' will simply take the shipbuilding town all the way from the shipyard gate to the border line of Hampton." That is no joke. North Carolina will certainly take a day off on that occasion.

Officers With "Bag to Hold."

Attracted by shooting at the rear of the hospital early last night, Policemen M. A. Jones and T. G. Evans went down to investigate. They caught a negro whom they were reasonably sure was responsible for the firing, but as they started with him to call the patrol wagon, the negro shinned out of his overcoat and ran, leaving the outer garment in the hands of the officer who had hold of him. A pistol was found in the pocket of the overcoat. The property is at the City Hall awaiting a call from the negro.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Schooner "Venus," Capt. Foxwell, cleared yesterday, light, for Georgetown, S. C.

— The alarm of fire from box 47 at 6:43 P. M. yesterday was on account of a chimney burning out at 216 Queen street.

— Bishop Strange returned from his visitation to his Diocese last night. He will preach at St. James' church Sunday morning.

— Miss Gore's regular week end dance will take place to-night instead of on Saturday night as usual. Dancing will begin at 9 o'clock.

— The STAR acknowledges with thanks the receipt of pretty new year calendars from Mr. W. V. Sellars, No. 9 Dock street, agent for the well known Michigan Mutual Life Insurance Co., of Detroit.

— General Secretary Chas. Dushan, of the local Y. M. C. A., will leave to-day for Charleston to referee a basket ball game between the Charleston Y. M. C. A. team and the Yale College team.

— Announcement is made of the forthcoming marriage of Mr. D. D. Boylan, of Wilmington, and Miss Loulie Formyduval, of Cronly, on December 28th at the home of the bride at Cronly.

— Another case of smallpox developed yesterday. The patient is a colored man who was sent to the pest house from his home, 518 MacRae street. Four members of the family were quarantined in the house.

— One of the handsome new passenger cars which the Consolidated Company recently purchased arrived yesterday morning and will be placed in commission on the city line to-day or to-morrow. The other two cars will be here in a day or two.

— By means of a false key, a burglar entered the residence of Mr. B. J. Bryan, Jr., No. 506 Wooster street, between 7:30 and 9:30 o'clock Wednesday night while the members of the family were away from home. The house was plundered but nothing was stolen as the thief was evidently looking for money.

— "De holiday trabbul am havin' a very dilatory effec on de arribals and departures of trains," remarked a colored dignitary at the Coast Line station yesterday. A trifle bombastic, but literally true. All trains were from two to four hours late last night.

— To-night at the Y. M. C. A. there will be a spirited basket ball game between the teams of Roger Schulken and Dr. C. T. Harper. This will be very interesting as it may decide the championship. Messrs. J. A. McGeachy, A. C. Boney and J. J. Loughlin will referee and umpire the game.

— Frank Holmes, alias Frank Judy, colored, was sent to jail by Justice Fowler yesterday in default of $50 bond for his appearance in the higher court to answer the charge of an assault with a deadly weapon upon Emma Bradley, colored. Holmes ran away at the time but lately returned and was arrested by Constable Savage yesterday.

PRETTY WEDDING AT WALLACE.

Mr. Oscar Fussell Takes a Fair Duplin Bride—Reception Following.

Mr. Oscar Fussell, a prominent young business man of Rose Hill, and Miss Myrtle Croom Jerome, the attractive young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jerome, of the same place, were married in a beautiful service performed there Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock by the Rev. J. W. Martin, in the Methodist Episcopal Church, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion and which was thronged with hundreds of friends and relatives of the young people. The wedding marches were skilfully rendered by Miss Sigman and the bridal party entered to the music in the following order: Messrs. S. L. Bradshaw and J. N. Southerland, ushers; Miss Bessie Strickland, first maid of honor; Mr. Willie Fussell, groomsman; Miss Ida Fussell, second maid of honor; Mr. E. Frank Mallard, groomsman; Miss Jerome, the bride, leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. Frank Jerome; Mr. Fussell, the groom, and his brother, Mr. John E. Fussell, his best man.

After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of the groom's father, Mr. W. H. Fussell, where a delightful reception was held. A large number of handsome wedding gifts were received, attesting the popularity of the young people. Mr. and Mrs. Fussell will be at home for the present at the "Sunbrooke Hotel."

Going to a Wedding.

Mr. W. H. Redfern, the clever travelling representative of the Charlotte News and Times-Democrat, is in the city on his way to Ocracoke, N. C., where on Christmas eve he will be best man at the marriage of his brother, Mr. J. E. Redfern, to Miss Mabel Doxes, of that place. The groom is principal of Dothan School and is very popular in the State, being an alumnus of the University of North Carolina. The Messrs. Redfern will leave on their pleasant mission this morning.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Siwasa—Open evenings.
J. S. Funchess & Co.—Bananas.
Academy—Lyric Stock Company.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Registered druggist.

New furs at Platt & Haar's.

WANT HIGH LICENSE.

Business Men Petition Board of Aldermen to Make It $1,000 Per Year.

AN AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL.

Part of Increased Revenue to be Applied That Way—Estimated That Income Will be $30,000 Instead of $17,000 Per Year as Now.

Prompted by a desire for increased revenue for the purposes of still greater achievements in municipal improvement and believing that high license is the only solution of the liquor problem, certain business men of large interests in Wilmington have circulated or caused to be circulated within the past two days petitions to the Board of Aldermen asking that after January 1st, of the new year, that the license on saloons be advanced from $38 per month, or $364 per annum, to $1,000 per year. The petition will be presented to the Board at a special meeting to be held on Wednesday night, December 28th, for the purpose of renewing the sixty odd applications of dealers now licensed to do business in the city, and before that time a very strong fight is expected to develop. The smaller dealers will contend that the increase is excessive and tends towards monopoly while on the other hand many of the larger dealers who are identified with the movement for high license, and the business men will set forth in their argument that the license is not greater than that charged in Charlotte, Greensboro, Winston, Asheville and other smaller cities and that, by right, the city should derive a larger increase from a traffic which it costs so largely to control.

The petitions are six in number and they have thus far been circulated only among the business people of the city and have been quite largely signed; in fact, the promoters of the movement say the proposition has well nigh met with the unanimous approval of those who have been approached and that they are more than a hundred of the leading business men of the city. The petition and argument in favor of the increase is as follows:

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 21, 1904.
To the Honorable Board of Aldermen, City:

GREETING:—The undersigned citizens of Wilmington respectfully, but earnestly, petition your honorable Board to postpone the licensing, for another term, of saloons until you have give due consideration to the claims of your petitioners herein presented.

We believe that the time is ripe for establishing high license, as the following reasons, we think, will demonstrate:

FIRST: The city is in pressing need of a larger revenue for paving its streets and increasing its educational facilities.

SECOND: It is an acknowledged fact that low license breeds public disorder, with the direct consequence of a greater expense for police protection. There is already a marked tendency for small saloons to multiply under control of irresponsible parties, and this increase is likely to represent influx of outsiders who have been driven from other localities. This condition, which is highly detrimental to the public welfare as well as hostile to the interests of responsible local liquor dealers, can only be met effectually by high licence, which will at once increase the public revenues, safeguard the public well-being, and protect those of our citizens who conduct the liquor traffic in an orderly and legitimate way.

THIRD: High license would thus serve to arrest the growth of small saloons and at the same time operate to suppress the dens and dives which are to-day responsible, largely, for the public disorder as reflected by our police court records, so that this measure would at once prevent an impending and remove a present evil.

FOURTH: We believe that the time is favorable for the establishment in this community of an Agricultural and Industrial school, and nothing could be of more importance to the growth of this section than the education of ourselves and our children to the appreciation of our great natural advantages. A school of this character would equip every boy in this community and fit him for an independent life. What we need as a people is skilled artisans and scientific agriculturists, and the opportunity is now presented for the attainment of these ends. With such a school an assured fact there could be little doubt but that the Test Farm, to be established and conducted by the State, would be located at or near Wilmington. The State has never inaugurated a movement more hopeful of lasting results than this test farm experiment, and the Farm we believe to be within our reach by prompt and sagacious action.

We pray, therefore, that your honorable Board will make the liquor license $1,000.00 per annum from January 1st 1905, and apply a liberal part of the excess revenue over the present income from this source to the establishment and maintenance of an agricultural and industrial school. It is seldom that a legislative body is privileged to act on an economic question of so great importance to a community.

The opportunity is now before us, and we urgently request that immediate action be taken, so that your petitioners may know what to depend on.

We respectfully suggest that as the legislature meets within the next two weeks, any legislation necessary to make effective action by your board could be promptly secured.

The promoters of the movement say that it was generally conceded on both sides during the dispensary fight last Summer, that high license was the only true solution of the liquor problem and that affiliated in the present movement are men who were on opposite sides of the dispensary question then, or, in other words, that the present fight for high license is without regard to affiliation in the former contest. It is furthermore contended by the high license advocates, some of whom are in the saloon business, that an advance in the license now is the only method of brooking a movement that will certainly be made at the forthcoming session of the Legislature to take more arbitrary action with regard to the saloons in Wilmington. They also say that with fewer saloons and of the better class the city will be in better position to regulate the traffic and that it will set at rest for all time to come any further agitation of the subject.

As to the question of revenue, well informed men about city affairs say that the city at present derives only $17,000 from its 60-odd saloons, whereas the increased license would bring the city $30,000 from half the number of bars, and that the residential sections of the city would be rid of them. The added income to the city could be very judiciously expended, especially in the light of the information with reference to an industrial and manual training school. It is learned that one gentleman with large means has promised to give $1,000 per year for ten years to the maintenance of such an institution, provided the city will place itself in position to contribute proportionately to such an object.

It is learned that Mr. J. A. Taylor, president of the Chamber of Commerce and a leading business man, and Mr. Hugh MacRae, a gentleman of large business interests here, are among the movers in the matter, and that on the Board of Aldermen Mayor Pro Tem. W. H. Yopp will champion the measure. Those who say they have inside information are firmly of the opinion that the high license proposition will be adopted. If so, at least half of the applicants for renewal of licenses are expected to withdraw their applications which are now on file. There are no legal questions involved in an increase of the license, so far as can be learned, and the fight will be made before the Board without technicalities. For that reason the lines will be all the more sharply drawn. The proposed increase is nearly 400 per cent. and it will be interesting to know just what opposition that advance will provoke from the dealers themselves. One of them philosophically remarked yesterday that the increase would not come out of the pockets of the saloon men for all they would have to do would be to "go up on the price" and the consumers would pay in the end.

The license proposition is construed by many of the dealers to be a forerunner of early closing hours and a no-screen ordinance, both of which have advantages and disadvantages. The promoters of the high license movement, however, are known not to be affiliated with any side issues of the kind spoken of. Those are matters which they contend may come up and be fought out on their merits later. They set up that Charlotte, Winston, Greensboro, Asheville and other towns have found the $1,000 license to work well and there is no reason why their proposition should meet with successful opposition here. The license, they say, has been ridiculously low for too long years already and that with the rest of the State going dry, Wilmington should have some safeguard against irresponsible dealers, who are being uprooted in their own towns and being dumped down here in Wilmington.

THE BIG POOL TOURNAMENT.

Large Gathering at Vann's Cigar Store. The Finish To-night.

Interest in the handicap pool tournament at Vann's Cigar Store is now at fever heat yesterday the place was thronged all day and to-night the number of spectators will be the capacity of the store. To-night the winners of pairs will play off and a most exciting contest is assured. The players will be Messrs. E. E. David, W. A. French, Jr., H. M. Chase, J. H. Hinton, R. H. Gwaltney and Cuthbert Martin, in the first class; Messrs. J. Holmes Davis, J. F. Hawkins and Mr. Farmer in the second class. Music will be furnished during the evening and Mr. Vann will make every effort to provide accomodations for spectators. The handsome prizes are now on display at the store. The public is most cordially invited to come and see the finish of the tournament and inspect the fine line of holiday offerings in the stock. The decorations are the prettiest ever seen.

Elks Practice Sweet Charity.

According to their beautiful custom of remembering the poor of the community without ostentation, the Wilmington Lodge of Elks will this Christmas send substantial donations of delicacies, food and clothing to several hundred of the city's less fortunate families. A large sum has been contributed by members of the lodge to this fund and a committee has been appointed to dispense the charity. A meeting of the committee was held at the Temple last night and all arrangements were made for the annual distribution of the gifts. The Elks make no advertisement of their laudable work in this line but the contribution is large.

Mr. John McLaurin Out

Many friends of Mr. John McLaurin, deputy register of deeds, who was recently stricken with paralysis, were delighted to see him out yesterday. He has not yet regained the power of speech in full but is able to understand and appreciate everything that goes on about him and his countenance bespeaks his cheerful disposition. Mr. McLaurin came down in an invalid chair accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Parsley, and appeared to enjoy the outing very much. His friends—and they are everybody—were as delighted to see him looking so well.

The prices will be according to the quality, and quality guaranteed. I am trying to please the public with the best to be had on the market. J. T. Burke, Jeweler.

New hand bags at Platt & Haar's.

ALL MUST VACCINATE

The County Board of Education Adopted Compulsory Order at Meeting Last Night.

IN EFFECT JANUARY 15TH.

Certificates Will be Demanded as Prerequisite to Attendance Upon Rural as Well as City Schools—Service of Superintendent Free.

The New Hanover Board of Education met in special session last night at the Court House and unanimously adopted the recommendation of the County Sanitary Board that vaccination be a prerequisite to attendance upon both the city and rural schools after January 15th. Those present at the meeting were Mr. W. H. Sprunt, chairman; Mr. George Rountree, Capt. Donald MacRae, Superintendent Washington Catlett, Dr. W. D. McMillan, county superintendent of health, and Mr. D. McEachern, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners. The two last named were present by invitation for the purpose of a consultation over the smallpox situation in general. After discussion, the following resolution was unanimously adopted, viz:

WHEREAS, It appears to the Board of Education from a resolution of the Sanitary Board of New Hanover county, and by consultation with the members of said Board, that it is necessary for the public health, on account of the prevalence of smallpox in the State, and especially in this and neighboring counties that the children in the public schools should be vaccinated, and,

WHEREAS, The Sanitary Board and county authorities, deeming it essential that this should be done, have offered to have all teachers, children and parents vaccinated, and to give them proper certificates of the fact, free of charge to them, by the Superintendent of Health of the county; therefore, be it

Resolved: That after the 15th day of January, 1905, no teacher or child will be permitted to attend the public schools of this county without having a certificate of successful vaccination from a regular physician.

It was ordered that the County Superintendent notify the teachers and committeemen at once with a copy of the resolution.

Dr. W. D. McMillan, county superintendent of health, announced that he would make appointments to visit each school and vaccinate teachers and children free of charge, unless they have been previously successfully vaccinated.

The Board of Education hopes that all parents will appreciate the importance of the action by the Board and will do all in their power to aid the authorities in preventing an occurrence or an epidemic of the fearful disease, which is threatened.

Mr. Kirby to Remove.

Mr. A. S. Kirby, whom Wilmington had hoped to number among its citizens and business men for years to come, has sold his interest in the Brunswick Grocery Co. and has bought the business of W. C. Thomas & Co., at Cronly, N. C. Mr. Kirby will go up to Cronly to take charge of his new store this morning, but his family will remain here until January 1st. The interest of Mr. Kirby in the Brunswick Grocery Co. has been purchased by Mr. W. O. McKeithan, who now owns two-thirds of the stock in the corporation, Mr. W. W. Galloway owning the remaining one-third. Both are young men of good business ability and will succeed. Mr. McKeithan is a son of Capt. R. W. McKeithan, of Brunswick. The many friends of Mr. Kirby wish him great success with his new enterprise at Cronly.

Married Wednesday Evening.

At 8:15 o'clock Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. J. E. Ellers, No. 910 North Third street, Mr. George A. Peterson and Miss Effie G. Brown were married in a pretty service performed by the Rev. George B. Webster, pastor of Bladen Street M. E. church. The attendants were little Misses Bessie and Kinether Guttenberg, flower girls; Miss Virginia Wheeler and Mr. A. C. Peterson; Miss Hassie Casteen and Mr. W. B. Thomas. A reception was given in honor of the bride and groom, at which delicious refreshments were served. Mr. Peterson holds a responsible position with the A. C. L. and the bride has many friends in the city. The bride and groom left on the north-bound A. C. L. train yesterday morning for Wallace, N. C., where they will spend their honeymoon.

Blocking Sidewalks Stopped.

Mayor Springer and Chief of Police Furlong yesterday made a tour of the retail district of the city to ascertain how far the enterprise of the smaller merchants during the holidays had tempted them to block the sidewalks with displays of Christmas offerings. They found a number who had not only front-store displays, but some of them had actually gone to the curbing and were building their displays back over the sidewalk to their store doors. In the congested districts orders were given as leniently as possible by the officials but the storekeepers were given to understand that free passage of people along the sidewalks must not be obstructed in the least.

Mr. J. W. Millinor Dead.

Mr. J. W. Millinor died at the James Walker Memorial Hospital Wednesday night of pneumonia. He was fifty years of age. The news of his death will be learned with sorrow by many friends. Deceased is survived by two sons and two daughters. The funeral was conducted yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence of Capt. Jesse Dickey, at the foot of Dawson street. The interment was in Bellevue.

New furs at Platt & Haar's.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Nellie Butler, of Burgaw, is the guest of Mrs. Z. V. Croom.

— Mr. Archie Hanby is at home from New York to spend the holidays.

— R. G. Grady, Esq., left yesterday to spend the holidays in Duplin county.

— Mr. Joe Armstrong is at home from the University to spend the holidays.

— Messrs. J. B. and G. G. Lynch have returned home from the A. & M. College.

— Mr. Chas. C. Loughlin is at home from the University to spend the holidays.

— Jackson Greer, Esq., and Dr. W. Ross Davis, of Whiteville, are guests at The Orton.

— Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point, and Bruce Williams, Esq., of Burgaw, were here yesterday.

— Misses Camille and Gladys Twining left yesterday to spend the holidays in Norfolk.

— Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Wortham and child left yesterday to spend the holidays at Oxford, N. C.

— Mrs. Samuel J. Springer left yesterday to spend Christmas at her old home in Washington, N. C.

— Miss Nina Scott, of Magnolia, N. C., is visiting Miss Blanche Twining, at 515 North Fourth street.

— Mr. Jno. B. Stronach, the popular National Cash Register salesman, came down last night from Fayetteville.

— Mr. L. B. Swain, Miss Carrie Swain and Miss Annie Swain, of Reidsville, Ga., were guests at The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. Geo. E. Kidder is in the city from Concord, N. H., to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Kidder.

— Among yesterday's arrivals were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mason, of Bluefield, W. Va., who are here on a visit to Mr. Mason's parents.

— Mrs. Charles E. Borden is in the city to spend Christmas with her parents, Col. and Mrs. John D. Taylor. Mr. Borden will arrive Saturday.

— Mr. Merle Woodward, of Mitchell's Military School, Billerica, Mass., is here for the holidays as the guest of his cousin, Mrs. J. G. Barentine, Grace street.

— Misses Mary and Rosa Short, of Washington, N. C., who have been the attractive guests of their sister, Mrs. S. J. Springer, left yesterday morning for their home.

— Alex. M. McClure, Esq., a popular young Wilmingtonian who was lately admitted to practice as an attorney-at-law in the courts of Kentucky and who has located at Louisville, arrived yesterday morning to spend the holidays with his father, the Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church.

— Mr. Carl H. Schulken, a native of Wilmington but for the past five years residing in Virginia, was married Tuesday night to Miss Elsie N. Bagley at Manchester, Va., the home of the bride. Mr. Schulken and wife will arrive in Wilmington on Christmas day to visit his parents at No. 406 North Fourth street.

Not Guilty of Larceny.

The only case of interest in the police court yesterday was that of John H. Davis, a colored youth employed as a porter at Taylor's Bazaar, on Market street. Davis was charged with the larceny of $5 from the cash drawer in the store yesterday morning, but the evidence against him was only circumstantial and he was discharged. The negro was represented by Woodus Kellum, Esq. The evidence was that about closing time Wednesday night, after the cash had been counted and placed in the safe, a customer came in the store and made a $5 purchase. The amount was placed in the drawer overnight to save unlocking the safe. Yesterday morning the bill was in the drawer just as it had been left and the boy was in the rear, near the drawer, starting a fire in the stove. Very soon the $5 was missed and the boy was arrested.

Grand Masquerade Ball.

"The Haymakers," the social organization of Eyola and Cherokee Tribes, Improved Order of Red Men, are arranging to give a grand *bal masque* on Wednesday night, Dec. 28th, in Hibernian Hall. An admission of $1 will be charged for gentlemen, but ladies will be admitted free, and the best of order is guaranteed. The committee is composed of Messrs. W. L. West (chairman), Wm. Sheehan, H. W. C. Habenicht, F. W. Ortmann, Jr., John Batson, M. G. Silvia, F. K. J. Fuchs, W. L. Burkheimer, W. H. Lane and W. P. Gafford.

The Local Markets.

The local cotton market was unchanged yesterday with receipts of 674 bales against 1,767 same day last season. The New York spot market was unchanged at 7.60 yesterday, though futures were off six or seven points. In naval stores spirits turpentine was steady at 49½c. and rosin was steady at $3.40.

Isaiah West, Health Officer.

Mr. Isaiah West has been appointed a health officer of the city, vice Mr. E. W. Hewlett. Mr. West entered upon his new duties yesterday. His appointment to succeed Mr. Hewlett is understood to be permanent.

New neckwear at Platt & Haar's.

New neckwear at Platt & Haar's.

The C. W. Polvogt Co.

NO. 9 NORTH FRONT ST.

THE CHRISTMAS STORE.

TIMELY HINTS FOR CHRISTMAS TIDE.

Your Christmas Shopping: 'Twere well 'twere done quickly.

Not only because you will then have time to think of everybody you want to remember, and will not be likely to forget some particular friend in the rush at the end.

But because you can get exactly what you want, in the uncrowded hour, before the hurry begins; satisfy yourself, as well as the giver; and, as a rule, save money by not having desperate recourse, at last, to more expensive and less appropriate gifts.

The moral—of yearly repetition—is: Begin your Christmas buying early.

And "Polvogt's" is the Christmas store.

We have the largest assortment of Dolls in the City—Full assortment of Toilet sets, Shaving Sets, &c. &c.

THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.

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NEW HATS

Four hundred and fifty new ready to wear Hats just arrived. Also a big lot Cloaks, Waists, Skirts and Petticoats. Our line is now complete and everything is up to date in style and prices. Our stock is much larger than before, and am sure we can make it to your advantage if you call on us before buying.

PARIS MILLINERY EMPORIUM,

oc 14 tf 129 Market Street, Wilmington, N. C.

50c, 75c.

Bananas, Bananas.

Why not eat Bananas during the holidays when you can buy 8-hand bunches at 75c. Good 7-hand bunches at 50c per bunch from

J. S. FUNCHESS & CO.,
108 North Water street, Wilmington, N. C.

P. S.—We have just received a car Western New York Danish Cabbage which we will sell at closest prices.

dec 14 1m J. S. F. & Co.

WEDDED AT MOUNT OLIVE.

Miss Addie Louise English and Mr. Earnest Brice Flowers—A Reception.

The Mount Olive M. E. church, artistically decorated with holly, ivy and potted plants and thronged with merry wedding guests, was the scene of a beautiful marriage Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, when the Rev. J. W. Potter in a pretty service joined as man and wife Miss Addie Louise English, the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. English, and Mr. Earnest Brice Flowers, one of Mount Olive's most prominent young business men. The wedding marches were skilfully rendered by Mrs. DuBruiz English and the attendants were Mr. Jas. W. Williams and Dr. G. F. Herring, ushers; Miss Mabel Kornegay with Mr. A. S. Grady, Miss Frank English with Mr. Henry R. Southerland, and Miss Ida Hankins, of Wilmington, with Mr. Lem. Kornegay; Mrs. Geo. E. Hood, dame of honor, sister of the groom; Miss Carrie English, sister of the bride, maid of honor; Mayor Geo. E. Hood, of Goldsboro, best man; Misses Christine English and Nannie Westbrook, flower girls. The bride entered, leaning upon the arm of her brother, Mr. DuBruiz English.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the reception of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. English.

VETERAN PYTHIANS TO DO HONOR.

Proverbial Christmas Turkey Will Go to 21 Widows of Stonewall Members.

Grateful for the honor did them in the presentation of jewels and desirous of doing something for their lodge in recognition of the appreciation of their twenty-five year's service in the order, the seventeen members of Stonewall Lodge No. 1, K. of P., who received the veteran's decoration at the joint Pythian meeting Wednesday night, assembled immediately thereafter in the parlors of the hall and resolved, at their own expense, to relieve the lodge of all the expenses incident to its beautiful custom of sending a turkey each Christmas to the twenty-one widows of deceased brethren. Stonewall Lodge has carried out the pleasant task of substantially remembering the families of its deceased members each Christmas for a number of years and all arrangements had been made for a repetition of the custom this year, but the veteran members at once met Wednesday night and decided it would be especially becoming for them to take the matter in charge and the lodge has consented for them to do so.

At the meeting of the veteran members Dr. Geo. G. Thomas was chairman and Mr. Sam Bear, Jr., secretary. It is unnecessary to say that the annual Xmas presents this year will be all the more appreciated by those who receive them.

Dr. Wertenbaker Returns.

After an official visit to the Cape Fear quarantine station and, incidentally a visit of a few hours to friends in this city, Dr. C. P. Wertenbaker, of the United States Marine Hospital Service, returned yesterday to Washington. Dr. Wertenbaker was formerly in charge of the United States Marine Hospital in this city and was decidedly popular with everybody.

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Notice to the Public.

Notice is hereby given that the ordinance prohibiting shooting fireworks in the city will not be enforced during the Holidays, from December 24th, 1904, to January 1st, 1905, inclusive, except that Canton Crackers over two inches in length will be prohibited. No fireworks, however, will be allowed west of Front street.

By order of the Mayor.

JOHN J. FURLONG,
de 22 2t Chief of Police.

NOTICE.

E. A. Chapman, M. D., of New York City, who treats Hemmorrhoids, Fissures and Fistulas, exclusively, has consented to see a few patients in Wilmington on or about December 28, 1904. For further information and appointment call on or write Dr. Harper, No. 508 So. Front street.

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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 23.

THE SAME OLD SOUTH.

The Baltimore Sun of Wednesday makes a fitting comment upon the amazing development going on in the South, as seen by an observant Northerner who has been taking some notice of it. The Sun says:

Mr. A. B. Farquhar, of York, Pa., is quoted by the Manufacturer's Record in support of the statement that the business prosperity of the South is no longer "a flattering possibility, but an accomplished fact." Its agricultural products, for example, were this year worth about $1,700,000,000, against $773,000,000 in 1879. Manufactures have made a like stride forward, the total value reported by the census of 1900 being $520,000,000, against $478,000,000 in 1880. The grand total of products, including products of mines, quarries and forests, Mr. Farquhar estimates at over $4,000,000,000, or three times as much as in 1880, though the population has increased but 60 per cent. It might be added that in the sphere of education an even greater advance has been made, despite the presence of large numbers of a race which helps but little in bearing the intellectual or financial burden of education. The railways of the South also have accomplished large results notwithstanding the disadvantages under which they labor by reason of sparseness of population.

All this gratifying progress has been achieved without putting aside the distinctive traits of the Southern people. Southerners have learned how to make money in business without sacrificing what, in their opinion, gives value and dignity to life. "It is impossible," says Mr. Farquhar, "to become acquainted with the Southern people without learning to sympathize with their attachment to high social ideas, their family loyalty, their cordial hospitality, the reverence they accord to the 'grand old name of gentleman, and to 'honor that feels every stain like a wound,' and more especially their chivalrous courtesy toward the 'better half' of mankind. If the South has had much to learn from the North in business methods, in mechanical contrivance, in watching the markets and in all the things that make for worldly success—as is everywhere admitted—it may no less fairly be admitted that there has already been something important to be learned on this side of the Mason and Dixon line. What is needed on both sides is fuller knowledge; that we 'shall know, even as we are known.'"

The South not only led in politics before the civil war, but was rich and progressive to an extent little comprehended by many persons in the North at the present time. Their industry was the production of great staples and they made a great deal of money and made it fast. A comparison of the wealth of Mississippi, for example, with that of any of the New England States in 1861 will show a very large per capita wealth. The civil war destroyed the labor system of the South and reconstruction deferred its reorganization. Besides the destruction of billions of property in which Southern capital was very productively invested, the economy system was paralyzed. It has taken over thirty years to reorganize, but the old spirit has triumphed and now shows the results which Mr. Farquhar sets forth in the figures above quoted. It is not a "New South," as some say, but the same South, emerging from the slough into which it was plunged by the civil war and reconstruction.

The Sunpaper knows what it is talking about. Readers of history recognize that it is the old spirit of the South that is showing itself. The old men of the South have always proven that they were equal to any emergency, and their descendants are but following in their footsteps. It is the same old South redivivus.

A MOMENT WITH THE READER.

McClure's Magazine for January has reached us. It is brim full of valuable matter and is handsomely illustrated. An intensely interesting contribution is that by Frederick Ireland who writes "The Reporter Who Became President." He alludes to James Madison who reported the speeches in the Philaphia convention which framed the American constitution in 1787. In the State Department library at Washington, preserved with tender care, is a fading manuscript in a microscopic handwriting. It is the original of Madison's notes, and the article in McClure's gives an interesting account of it. Valuable history is interwoven in the story and it will be read with profit by all Americans.

The table of contents in McClure's embraces numerous other articles and all the department are up to the standard of that popular publication. There is, however, one article, though exceedingly interesting, is on a subject that gives the South a bad advertising. It is "A Southern Lynching," by Ray Stanard Baker, who is begining a series of articles on "What Is Lynching? A study of Mob Justice North and South." The article is gruesomely illustrated.

McClure's is an up-to-date publication, and it begins the new year to "make good" that reputation. The subscription price is $1 per annum; 10c. per copy. Address: The S. S. McClure Company, 44–60 East Twenty-Third street, New York.

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THE LAWSON STORM.

Col. Thomas W. Lawson's latest article on "Frenzied Finance," which appeared in the January number of Everybody's Magazine, which was issued on Wednesday, created a great sensation in Wall street. The astonishing changes made by the Boston man not only created a whirlwind of excitement in the financial circles of New York, but it extended to other cities. Briefly summarized, Mr. Lawson charges in effect:

That the appointment of Dwight Braman by the United States Court in Wilmington, Del., as receiver of the Bay State Gas Company in October, 1896, was at first an overpowering shock to J. Edward Addicks.

That a deal was fixed up to pay $300,000 to the receiver, the complaining stockholder and his lawyer to have the receivership dismissed.

That H. H. Rogers, next to John D. Rockefeller, the leading spirit in Standard Oil, who was interested in the deal, had collected $5,000,000 in W all street to carry five doubtful States for McKinley.

That it was arranged that the part intended for Delaware should be used in buying off the receivership.

That the plan was actually carried out and that a portion of the money passed in court right under the nose of Judge Wales immediately after he had dismissed the receiver.

That Addicks planned to have the men with the booty robbed by a gang of toughs after they left the courtroom, but this miscarried and the money was used in stock-jobbing operations.

These are pretty tall allegations, and it will be interesting to know whether Mr. Lawson can "make good."

Boston is again stirred up over attempts which, Lawson declares, have been made to poison him, and also on account of various threats against his life. A dispatch from Boston on Wednesday states that Denis Donohue, reputed author of several articles in the New York Commercial attacking some of Mr. Lawson's mining properties, has so stirred Mr. Lawson to anger that Mr. Lawson that night prepared an an advertisement defending his properties and addressing Mr. Donohue in most vituperative terms. This advertisement was telegraphed to New York newspapers for insertion on Thursday morning. Mr. Donohue, having got wind of the intended publication, telegraphed Mr. Lawson Wednesday night that if the advertisement was not recalled he would go to Boston and shoot Mr. Lawson.

Mr. Lawson replied in effect challenging Donohue, and telling him that if he should appear in Boston the outcome will be different from that in the case of Col. Greene last week.

Really Lawson is taking the honours away from Cassie Chadwick and Nan Patterson.

TWINKLINGS

— "Why do you need a horn?" asked the wagon. "I have no use one." "Yes," replied the automobile, "but then you have a tongue." —Chicago News.

— She (after the play)—So you didn't enjoy the performance? He—No. I didn't see a darned thing. She—I heard you complaining about a "darned hat." Didn't you see that?—Philadelphia Press.

Fashionable Mother: Editha, I trust your fiance is a worthy young man. Ditto Daughter: Oh, yes, mamma; but rather shy. Fashionable Mother: Good heavens; You don't mean of money, I hope.—Houston Chronicle.

— "Yes, Spriggins was at the convention." "Now, there's a fellow I never cared for. There never was much in him." "You should have seen him after the banquet. You would have changed your mind."—Philadelphia Press.

— "They tell me," said the tenderfoot, "that you haven't lynched any horse thieves in this locality for more than three months." "Well, of course," said Comanche Pete, apologetically, "we have our dull times wunst in awhile, same as they do in the States."—Chicago Tribune.

— Johnny—Papa, I've read the President's message. Pleased Parent—I am glad to hear it, my son. It isn't every boy that takes an interest in such things. Did you read all of it? Johnny—Yep. Read it clear through. The pie faced boy next door dared me to do it, and I won't take a dare from nobody.—Chicago Tribune.

— Representative Sydney E. Mudd, of Maryland, was approached in one of the House lobbies yesterday by a Marylander in search of a job. The applicant wanted the Congressman's indorsement. "Where do you live?" asked Mr. Mudd. "In Baltimore," replied the applicant hopefully. "But Baltimore's not in my district," declared Mr. Mudd, edging away. "I know I'm not in your district," replied the seeker for political office, "but I used to live in your district once, for almost three months." "Son," said Mr. Mudd, impressively, "there's no past tense in politics—only present and future."—Washington Post.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle, yet thorough. Only 25 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

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Plenty More Proof Like This, and All From Wilmington People.

No chance for argument here.
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What a Wilmington man says
Is the best of evidence for Wilmington people.
Read this case.
We have lots more like it.

A. V. Horrell, proprietor of restaurant at 505 South Fourth street, says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they did me a lot of good. I have been a great sufferer with backache, which I supposed to be rheumatism, and used all the rheumatic cures I could get hold of. I was completely laid up with it and could scarcely get around, to do any work was simply out of the question. My sister, reading about Doan's Kidney Pills and knowing how I suffered, went to Bellamy's drug store and got me a box. They acted like a charm. My backache or rheumatism, whatever it was, has entirely left me, and I give all the credit to the use of Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.

CURRENT COMMENT.

——Dr. Cassie Chadwick, when he arrives will make the same inspiring impression as a cold pancake after breakfast.—Baltimore Sun.

—— Senator Burrows need not bother now to explain why this Mormon muss was not aired before the election.—Washington Post.

—— The fact that strawberries and early potatoes have reached the Eastern market will not trouble Clevelanders to any marked extent. It's all we can do to pay for eggs and butter.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

—— The gentleman who has discovered that the "whale" in Jonah's case was only a ship named the "Great Fish" ought to go further and prove that the lion's den, into which Daniel was thrown, was the name of the chief hotel in town and no more.—Macon Telegraph.

—— Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas and Florida have not adopted any constitutional amendments restricting the negro or the illiterate voter. Senator Platt seems to have proceeded blindly without an investigation in his proposed reduction of congressional representation.—Rome Tribune.

—— The House of Representatives does not seem to take kindly to the practice of Federal judges charging up $10 a day board bills that not amount to more than $2 or $3, and yet it is not in evidence that these same representatives object to receiving the mileage allowed them by law when railroad fare does not cost them that much, if anything at all.—Columbia State

—— Even if it is powerless to compel obedience to former acts of legislation, the government of the United States has a right to know whether the Mormon church has kept its faith. The evidence shows that it has not, and that polygamous marriages have been performed since President Woodruff issued his proclamation. All this may have nothing to do with Senator Smoot, but if the Mormon church has violated its solemn covenant with the people of the United States, the country is entitled to know the facts.—New York World.

— Henderson is to have a new bank, a charter having been obtained for the First National Bank of Henderson, and an organization effected. Mr. Samuel Harriss, of Henderson, is president and Mr. Robert Lassiter, vice president, two of the most prominent and substantial business men of the town. Mr. W. P. Venable, vice president of the Bank of Farmville, Va., is also vice president. Mr. T. K. Sands, vice president and cashier of the Bank of Richmond, is also a large stockholder, and with men of such tried ability and success in the financial world in control, the new institution starts under most favorable conditions. The capital stock is $50,000. Over $60,000 has been subscribed and other subscriptions are coming in. Twenty thousand dollars of the stock is held in Richmond and Washington, the balance being in Henderson and in Vance and Warren counties. The bank is expected to begin business about January 1st.

Special Rates by S. A. L. Railway.

On account of the meeting of the Southern Educational Association at Jacksonville, Fla., December 29th-31st, the Seaboard will sell round trip tickets from all points at rate of one fare for the round trip, plus 25 cents. Tickets will be sold December 27th, with final limit to January 4th.

On account of the Special Personally Conducted Excursion to Havana, Cuba, January 4th-5th, the Seaboard will sell round trip tickets for one first class fare for the round trip from all points, plus $2. Tickets will be sold January 4th, good returning on the steamer leaving Havana January 19th or earlier, with final limit to January 22nd. As this excursion will be limited to 150 passengers, immediate notice should be given for reservation.

On account of the Pan-American Medical Congress at Panama City, Panama, January 3rd, the Seaboard will sell round trip tickets at rate of one first class fare to New Orleans, plus $51, which rate includes meals and stateroom on steamer via the United States Fruit Company's line. Tickets limited to thirty days from date of sale.

For further information, reservation, literature, rates and schedules apply to C. H. GATTIS, T. P. A., Raleigh, N. C.

Fight Will Be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall, of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once, and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— At a conference between the Northern capitalists now at Winston-Salem and the citizens of the Twin-City on Wednesday, Winston-Salem was asked to subscribe $50,000 for the building of the proposed inter urban railway between High Point and Winston Salem. A written proposition has been submitted and is being considered by the business men.

— Gastonia Gazette: Our Filbert correspondent notes that the farmers are cutting up their fire-wood with a steam saw which they are running on the co-operative plan This is another thing that signifies changed labor conditions. Time was when one or two of the hands could cut wood enough while waiting for breakfast to last the family a day or two.

— Charlotte Observer, Dec. 22d: It is grievous and disappointing to read in The Biblical Recorder that several new cases of typhoid fever have developed in the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville within the last two weeks and that "it is clear that the origin of the epidemic has not been reached." The public had hoped that the cause of the dreadful scourage had been discovered and removed and that the trouble was at an end.

— Gastonia Gazette: The sudden drop in the price of cotton has caused the farmers in the Filbert neighborhood to say some unpleasant things about themselves for not selling when they could have gotten a fair price. There is any amount of cotton scattered over this county and it is being held for higher prices. One man near here has probably a hundred bales and was offered over sixteen cents for some of it, but my opinion is he'll never get that offered him again soon. Don't you know he fells hurt?

— Washington correspondence of the Charlotte Observer: Ex Congressman Blackburn arrived in Washington Wednesday and called at the White House, where he was heartily congratulated by the President on his election as a member of the 59th Congress. The Representative from the Eighth was well pleased with his reception, but he declined to talk about his visit or to discuss the official announcement that State Chairman Rollins is to have absolute sway as to the selection of Feder office-holders in the State.

— At Lexington on Wednesday the Southern Railway Company paid the administrators of the late John R. Plummer, the sum of $7,500, by way of compromising the claim of the deceased, who was killed in September in the railway wreck near New Market, Tenn. The compromise was effected without suit being commenced and without any attorneys being employed for the Intesstate. Mr. Plummer, the deceased, was a leading citizen of Davidson county, living at Jones' Mine, and he was on his way home from the St. Louis Exposition when he met his death in the fearful collision. Mr. Plummer is survived by a widow and nine children, among whom the above named sum will be distributed by the administrators.

— The Southern Manufacturers' Club, of Charlotte, in view of the fact that the President contemplates a trip through the South and Southwest in the Spring, has passed resolutions inviting him to stop at Charlotte on the tour and has appointed a committee to wait upon Mr. Roosevelt at Washington and urge the invitation upon him. It is understood that President Roosevelt will stop at five or six of the more important cities in this section and the members of the club enterain strong hopes that he may be prevailed upon to include Charlotte in that number. A committee was appointed to visit Washington and formally invite President Roosevelt. The trip to Washington will not be made until the arrangements for the President's trip assumes more definite form.

— Washington correspondence of Charlotte Observer, Dec. 21: From present indications Governor-elect Glenn will very soon after his induction into office be appealed to to exercise the pardoning power. Reference is made to the gold brick cases which came up in Greensboro. The gold brick men have some influential connections. It will be recalled that one of the three men was able to command the intervention of former Senator Mason, of Illinois, and as a consequence Governor Aycock granted him pardon. Friends of the two men now in the penitentiary—Howard and James—have recently come here from Arkansas and have approached a number of Senators and Representatives on a proposition to sign a petition asking for the pardon of the prisoners. One man who is circulating a petition broached the subject to a well known Senator, but made no headway, as the Senator in question declined to become a party to the movement. The man then asked the Senator to give him a letter testifying to his personal good character, and this the Senator did.

— "What have you to say for yourself?" demanded the bailie of the drunk and disorderly. "Am verra sorra, sir," returned the charge, "but a' came fra Glesca in bad company." "What sort of company?" "A lot o' teetotalers." "What!" roared the bailie. "You mean to say, sir, that teetotalers are bad company?" "Weel," rejoined the prisoner, "ye ken how 'twas. A had a bale mutchkin o' whusky wi' me, an' a had to drink it all to meself."—Judy.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—38 bales cotton, 9 casks spirits turpentine, 17 barrels rosin, 11 barrels tar, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—138 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 6 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—167 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 12 barrels rosin, 19 barrels tar, 93 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—159 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 29 barrels tar.

Steamer Sanders—20 bales cotton.

Steamer Compton—152 bales cotton.

Steamer Whitlock—10 casks spirits turpentine, 49 barrels rosin.

Total—674 bales cotton, 32 casks spirits turpentine, 71 barrels rosin, 65 barrels tar, 93 barrels crude turpentine.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, December 22.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 42½c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market steady at $2.40 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.30 per barrel for hard, $3.70 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 55c; rosin firm at $2.10; tar firm at $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.25@3.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	22
Rosin	71
Tar	65
Crude turpentine	95

Receipts same day last year—17 casks spirits turpentine, 91 barrels rosin, 479 barrels tar, 174 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market nominal.

Same day last year, market firm at 12¼c for middling.

Receipts—674 bales; same day last year, 1,767.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 90c; extra prime, 95c; fancy, $1.00, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 80c; extra prime, 85c; fancy, 90c. Spanish, 85@90c.

CORN—Firm; 60@65c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 11c; sides, 11c.

EGGS—Dull at 25c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 30@35c; springs, 15@25c.

TURKEYS—Dull at 12½c for live; 16½c for dressed.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@60c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2@3c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Money on call was quoted steady at 2½@2¾ per ct.; lowest 2 per cent; closing bid 2 per cent; offered 2¾ per cent.; time loans were easy; sixty days 3@3½ per cent.; ninety days 3@3½ per cent; six months 3@3½ per ct. Prime mercantile paper 4@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange closed easier, actual business in bankers' bills at 487.30 for demand and at 484.65 for sixty day bills. Posted rates were 485½ and 488. Commercial bills quoted at 484¼. Bar silver 61½. Mexican dollars 48¼. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 104½; do. coupon, 104½; U. S. 3's, registered, 104½; do. coupon, 104½; U. S. 4's, new, registered, 130¾; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, 130¾; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 105½; do. coupon, 106½; Atlantic Coast Line 4's, 99¾ bid; Louisville & Nashville, unified 4's, 103½; Norfolk & Western consol 4's —; Seaboard Air Line 4's 84; Southern Railway 5's, 119 bid. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 95; Chesapeake & Ohio 46¾; Manhattan L 162; New York Central 139½; Reading 76; do. 1st pref'd, 90½; do. 2nd pref'd 81; Southern Railway 33¾; do. pref'd 96½; Amalgamated Copper 65; People's Gas 105⅝; Tennessee Coal and Iron 69¾; U. S. Leather 14; U. S. Leather preferred, 101½; Western Union 92½; U. S. Steel 28; do. preferred 90¾. Mexican Central 20½; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 41; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 113; sales — shares. Standard Oil 632.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 15⅞@16; do. preferred, 34@34½; do. bonds, fours, —. Atlantic Coast Line, common, 153@154¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Rosin quiet. Strained common to good $2 80@2 83½. Spirits turpentine steady at 53@53½c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 22.—Spirits turpentine firm at 48½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales 800 barrels; A, B, C $2 45; D, $2 45; E, 2 45; F, $2 50; G, $2 60; H, $2 65; I, $2 10; K, $3 15; M, $4 15; N, $4 35; W G, $4 60; W W, $5 00.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 22.—Spirits turpentine firm at 50½c; receipts 540 casks; sales 242 casks; exports 295 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 2,394 barrels; sales 2,917 bbls; exports 950 bbls. A, B, C, $2 50; D, $2 52½; E, $2 55@2 57½; F, $1 57½@2 60; G, $2 60@2 62½; H $2 72½; I, $3 25; K, $4 00; M, $4 30; N, $4 60; W G, $4 75; W W, $5 15.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—In spite of the interruption in trading, as a result of the suspension of business for an hour immediately following the noon call for the annual Christmas tree festivities, during which some one hundred and thirty-eight presents were distributed among the members of the Exchange, each one of which was cunningly contrived to touch on some individual peculiarity, and the presentation of which was accompanied by all kinds of skylarking and hilarity, business for the day was moderately active, with sales estimated at about 250,000 bales. Fluctuations were irregular, with the net exchange a small loss. The market opened easy at a decline of 3@5 points under liquidation by yesterday's late buyers following poorer Liverpool cables than anticipated. Owing to the bullish news that had been sent by Liverpool the previous day and talk of an advance on slight encouragement the local trade had expected that the English market this morning would make quite a firm showing. Instead, Liverpool prices at the hour of the local opening were three to four points lower, and it was said that the easier tendency was owing to selling for the account of the same spot people who had bought here on the day before. After the opening, however, there was a considerable demand. Spot houses appeared to be buying and wire houses were evidently covering shorts for out of town clients. Prices gradually worked up until about twenty points over the low level of the previous day, when there was realization and the market toward midday quieted down, with prices about five or six points down from the top. After the celebration there was a renewal of bear pressure led by prominent floor brokers and the market was barely steady at a closing decline of six to seven points.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Cotton—The market was quiet at 7.60c; net receipts 393 bales; gross receipts 8,310 bales; stock 107,487 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 7.60c; middling gulf 7.85c; sales 400 bales.

Futures market closed dull: December 7.16, January 7.30, February 7.38, March 7.33, April 7.44, May 7.49, June 7 57, July 7.61, August 7.60, October 7 61.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 45,556 bales; exports to Great Britain 29,074 bales; exports to France 3,834 bales; exports to the Continent 14,657 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 1,060,119 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 248,563 bales; exports to Great Britain 117,327 bales; exports to France 27,515 bales; exports to Continent 47,217 bales; exports to Japan 2,400 bales; exports to Mexico — bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 5,574,009 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,000,516 bales; exports to France 435,241 bales; exports to the Continent 1,474,646 bales; exports to Japan 47,010 bales; exports to Mexico 12,364 bales.

Dec 22.—Galveston, quiet at 7½c, net receipts 8,961 bales; Norfolk, nominal, —; net receipts — bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7½, net receipts 2,177 bales; Boston, quiet at 7.60c, net receipts 1,667 bales; Wilmington, nominal, net receipts 674 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 7.85c, net receipts 194 bales; Savannah, quiet at 7 3.16c, net receipts 9,471 bales; New Orleans, easy at 7 3-16, net receipts 17,558 bales; Mobile, firm at 7c, net receipts 1,846 bales; Memphis, quiet at 7¾c, net receipts 2,740 bales; Augusta, steady at 7 5 16c, net receipts 1,910 bales; Charleston, quiet at 7, net receipts 1,04 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Flour was steady but quiet. Rye flour quiet. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red $1 18 afloat. Options closed partly ¼c net lower; May closed $1 12⅜; July closed $1 02¾; December closed $1 13¾. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 55½c. Options closed ½c net lower; May closed 51¼; December closed 56½c. Oats—Spot firm; mixed, 26@33 pounds, 35½c. Lard quiet; refined steady. Pork quiet. Cheese firm; State, small, colored and white, 11½@12c. Eggs quiet; nearby, selected 36c; Western selected 28c; Southern 23@27c. Potatoes—Market steady; Long Island, in bulk, per 180 lbs, $1 75@2 00; State and Western $1 25@1 50; Jersey sweets $2 00@3 25. Butter firm: creamery, common to extra 15@26c; State dairy 15@24c. Cabbages firm; flat Dutch, per 100, $2 00@3 00. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton, 15@20c. Peanuts steady; fancy handpicked 5¼@5½; other domestic grades 3¼@5½c. Molasses steady. Rice firm. Sugar—raw firm; refined sugar firm. Tallow barely steady; city ($3 per package) 4½c; country (package free) 4¾@5c. Cotton seed oil was barely steady; trade light: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills 17½; prime summer yellow 24½@25c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 28c; prime winter yellow 28c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Indications of decreasing shipments from Argentina had a weakening influence on the wheat market here to-day. At the close May wheat was 1 4c. Corn is down 1 4c. Oats are practically unchanged and provisions 2½ to 7½c. lower.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Cash prices: Flour—The market to-day was quoted steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring $1 08@1 15; No. 3 spring 95c@$1 13; No. 2 red $1 12½@1 17. Corn—No. 2 46@46½c; No. 3 yellow 46@46½c. Oats—No. 2 29½c; No. 3 white, 31½c; No. 3 do. 30½@31¼. Rye—No. 2 73c. Mess pork, per bbl., $11 35@11 45. Lard, per 100 lbs $6 80. Short rib sides, loose, $6 25@6 37½. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no market report. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 62½@6 75. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 24.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December $1 13¾@1 13¾, 1 14¾, 1 10¾, 1 10¾; May $1 11¾@1 13½, 1 13¾, 1 11¾, 1 11½; July 98¾@98¾, 98¾, 98¾, 98¾ Corn—December 47¼, 47¼, 45¾, 45¾; May 45¾@45¾, 45¾, 45¾, 45¾; July 45¾@46, 46, 45¾@45¾, 45¾@45¾c Oats—December 29¼, 29¾, 29¼, 29¾; May 31¾, 31¾@31¾, 31¾@31¾, 31¾; July 31¾@31¾, 31¾, 31¾. Mess pork, per bbl—January $12 55, 12 55, 12 52½; 12 55; May $12 92½, 12 92½, 12 87½, 12 87½. Lard, per 100 lbs—January $6 85, 6 87½, 6 85, 6 85; May $7 12½, 7 12½, 7 10, 7 11. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $6 42½, 6 45, 6 40, 6 42½; May $6 72½, 6 72½, 6 73¼, 6 70.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 8¾c; mild steady; Cordova 10@13c. The market for coffee futures opened steady at a decline of 5@10 points under active liquidation and trading was very active. Shortly before midday three or four brokers with important Wall street connections bid in a sensational manner with prices going up in jumps to about the previous high point or a net advance of some 10@20 points on the active months. The market was finally steady net unchanged to 10 points higher. Sales 304,750 bags.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 22.—Cotton: Spot, moderate demand; prices unchanged; American middling 4.08d. The sales of the day were 6,000 bales, of which 2,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 5,700 bales American. Receipts 37,000 bales, including 30,200 bales American.

Futures opened quiet and closed easy; American middling (g o c): December 3.93d; December and January 3.93d; January and February 3.96d; February and March 4.01d; March and April 4.05d; April and May 4.08d; May and June 4.11d; June and July 4.13d; July and August 4.15d; August and September 4.15d; September and October 4.13d; October and November 4.13d.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Compton, Jacobs, Georgetown, S C, Stone & Co.

CLEARED.

Schooner Venus, Foxwell, Georgetown, S C, C D Maffitt.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port of Wilmington, N. C., December 23.

STEAMERS.

Hanseat, (Nor) 2,177 tons, Hamre, Heide & Co.

Juanita North, (Br) 2,333 tons, Fox, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Greatham, (Br) 1,531 tons, Gowing, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Mabel Darling, 113 tons, Saunders, to master.

Anne Lord, 346 tons, Russell, C D Maffitt.

Eliza J Pendleton, 672 tons, Dodge, C D Maffitt.

Carrie A Bucknam, 336 tons, Torrey, J T Riley.

BARQUES.

Fram, (Nor) 699 tons, Andersen, Heide & Co.

Musselcrag, (Br) 1,871 tons, Robinson, Heide & Co.

— Charlotte Observer: There is something strangely suspicious in the fact that a number of railroad presidents are endorsing the President's railway regulation suggestion.

Suggestions for Xmas.

A Dinner Set.
A Toilet Set.
A Chocolate Set.
A Fish Set.
A Lamp.
An Umbrella Stand.
A Jardineer.
A Fancy Vase.
A Piece of Cut Glass.

Silver Knives, Forks, Spoons, Ladles, etc., and many other goods on display.

F. A. BISSINGER,

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Before Selecting

Your Xmas Gifts please call and see our

Brass Andirons,
Brass Shovel and Tong Sets,
Carving Sets,
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We have a large assortment, all of which make very acceptable gifts.

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Glycerinized Glass Points,
Glycerinized Ivory Points,
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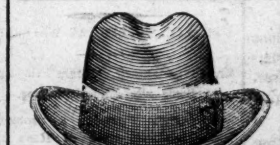

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State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover.

H. L. Vollers who sues in behalf of himself and all other creditors of the Cape Fear & People's Steamboat Company,

vs.

Cape Fear & People's Steamboat Company.

By direction of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover County made in the above entitled cause notice is hereby given to all creditors of the Cape Fear & People's Steamboat Company to present and make due proof of their claims before the undersigned on or before January 8, 1903, or they will be barred and precluded from participating in the distribution of the assets of the above named company.

December 1, 1902. D. McEACHERN, Receiver.
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We not only sell you equipments but can send you expert men to install them.

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None better at any price.

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Get your orders in before all gone.

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Florida Oranges (to arrive.)
Prunes,
Dried Apples,

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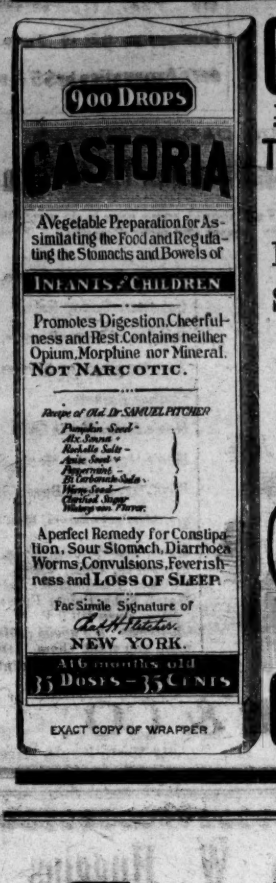
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No. 1 Chestnut, Anthracite - - $6.50 per ton
Jellico Coal, best - - - - - - - 5.50 " "
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THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK,

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Capital and Surplus	$ 450,000
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In addition to manufacturing Stills for Turpentine and Spiritine Plants, we do all kinds of repair work and Brazing in Copper. Also we do Plating in

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Repairing work of every kind in Metal solicited.

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ORANGE BLOSSOMS.

Their Use at Weddings the Survival of an Ancient Custom.

Authorities speak of the use of orange blossoms at weddings as due to the fact that the orange tree, bearing its ripe golden fruit and fragrant flowers at the same time, is a symbol of fruitfulness, and this, we may take it, is the main reason of the pleasing custom.

In Crete the bride and bridegroom are sprinkled with orange flower water, and in Sardinia oranges are attached to the horns of the oxen which draw the nuptial carriage. Dr. Brewer says that Saracen brides carried orange blossoms at weddings and suggests that our modern custom is a survival or revival of theirs.

The custom appears to have been introduced from France into England about 1820-30. According to Littre, "Women at their marriage wear a crown of orange buds and blossoms; hence the orange blossom is taken as a symbol of marriage."

In "Vanity Fair" Thackeray speaks of orange blossoms as "touching emblems of female purity imported by us from France." This happy thought, however, is merely a fancy of his, for orange blossoms, according to French scholars and writers, simply indicate that "mademoiselle" has attained the status of "madame."

IT WON HIS CASE.

The Incident That Brought About the "Stovepipe Verdict."

It was a characteristic of a certain Tennessee colonel that when once his oratory had begun to flow before the jury nothing could stop it till the fount was exhausted. On one occasion he had just finished tearing his opponent's argument to tatters when the courtroom stovepipe fell with a crash.

"There!" cried the colonel as the clouds of soot arose. "There is a simile furnished by nature herself! Just as that stovepipe has come unjointed and fallen useless to the ground so my adversary's argument has fallen with as loud a crash. One is not more hollow than the other, not more in need of polish.

"And, gentlemen of the jury, what do those clouds of soot and smoke resemble—those black masses smutting all they light upon—what do they resemble more than the malicious libels, the black scandals, which my adversary has poured into your ears and with which he has endeavored to blacken the character of my client?"

His case had seemed hopeless, but when he had finished the stovepipe comparison the jury was converted and returned what became famous in western Tennessee as the "stovepipe verdict" in favor of the colonel's client.

WATERSPOUTS.

What They Are and the Conditions That Generate Them.

A waterspout is a miniature tornado originating in a strong upward draft of air which occurs above the surface of a body of comparatively warm water. Its effect first becomes visible in a circular motion at the point in the clouds to which it ascends. This becomes a whirl, which condenses the vapor at its center, causing the portion of the cloud there to drop downward in the shape of a gigantic jelly bag. At the same time the continuing upward draft increases the rapidity of its original swirl and of the condensed vapor caught within it until the ascending and descending masses join to form the waterspout.

Necessarily by this process the air beneath the spout is rarefied, and thus where the phenomenon occurs at sea the water always seems to be sucked up into it, although this is not really the case to any considerable extent. For similar reasons where a waterspout or tornado passes over a building it does most of its damage by exhausting the air outside, causing what is within to expand and blow the structure to pieces.

SALTS IN THE SEA.

The Four Varieties That Are Washed Out of the Earth.

Why should the sea be salt when the lakes and rivers are fresh? This is a question that comparatively few people stop to think about. They recognize the fact, but do not take the trouble to reason about it.

There are four salts in sea water—sodium chloride (common salt), magnesium, potassium and calcium. These are minerals and are washed out of the rocks of the earth by the streams and carried to the sea in a state of solution.

The water of the sea is being constantly evaporated, and it comes to the land as rain, snow, hail or sleet. But this evaporation leaves the salt in the sea, and as the streams are all the time carrying more salt there the quantity is constantly increasing, but so gradually that it is not noticed in the water.

It has been estimated that if all the salt were obtained out of the waters of the sea there would be enough to cover the continent of North America to a depth of half a mile.

In some parts of the world the salt used by the people is all obtained from sea water, but not where there are salt mines or salt springs, for the quality of that obtained from them is much superior to that yielded by sea water.

Roasting Cats as a Sacrifice.

The cat, says Mr. Mill in his "History of the Crusades," was a very important personage in the religious festivals of the times which he describes. At Aix, in Provence, on the festival of Corpus Christi, the finest tomcat in the canton, wrapped like a child in swaddling clothes, was exhibited in a magnificent shrine to public admiration. Every knee was bent, and every hand strewed flowers or poured incense, and grimalkin was treated in all respects as the god of the day.

But on the festival of St. John, June 24, poor Tom's fate was reversed. A number of cats were put into a wicker basket and thrown alive into the midst of a large fire kindled in the public square by the bishop and his clergy. Hymns and anthems were sung, and processions were made by the priests and people in honor of the sacrifice.

Revolution Imminent.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness or stomach upsets. Electric bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome causes. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly, and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c, and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by B. B. BELLAMY, druggist.

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Many women weep and wail and refuse to be comforted because their once abundant tresses have become thin and faded. Many men incline to profanity because the flies bite through the thin thatch on their craniums. It will be good news to the miserable of both sexes, to learn that Newbro's Herpicide has been placed upon the market. This is the new scalp germicide and antiseptic that acts by destroying the germ or microbe that is the underlying cause of all hair destruction. Herpicide is a new preparation, made after a new formula on an entirely new principle. Anyone who has tried it will testify as to its worth. Try it yourself and be convinced. Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

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SPECIAL EXCURSION TO HAVANA CUBA.

Do not miss this opportunity to visit this beautiful and attractive island, as it will afford not only opportunity for you to make a delightful trip but, to the manufacturers of the South, will offer the additional opportunity to investigate the possibilities of Cuba with the view of developing their business in that country.

A personally conducted, special excursion to Havana, Cuba, January 4th, 1905, from Washington, D. C., Richmond and Norfolk, Va., and intermediate points in the States of Virginia, North and South Carolina, will connect with the Peninsular and Occidental Steamship Company's steamer leaving Port Tampa, Fla., on the night of January 5th, 1905.

The party will be limited to 150 persons, therefore reservations should be made promptly, in order to secure proper accommodations on the steamship "Olivette," the most commodious ship of the Peninsular and Occidental Steamship Company, which will convey the party to Havana.

Tickets will be limited for return passage on any steamer leaving Havana until January 19, 1905, with privilege of stop overs at any point in the State of Florida, south of Jacksonville, within the final limit of ticket, which will be January 21st, 1905.

The rate, $44.70 from Wilmington, N. C., for the round trip, includes meals and staterooms on the steamship.

Mr. A. W. Fritot will meet the party in Jacksonville and accompany them to Havana. Mr. Fritot speaks Spanish fluently and will place himself at the disposal of the party, furnishing any information desired.

Trains for which tickets for this excursion will be sold will leave Wilmington, N. C., 2:30 P. M., Jan. 4th, 1905.

Make up your party and go and should you desire any other information, books, pamphlets, etc., on Cuba or "What to say in Spanish and how to say it," address

H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager, Wilmington, N. C.

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Fruit Cake,
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With the compliments of the season.

Wilmington Grocery Co.

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Aprons — Ladies' white lawn aprons, plain and trimmed, some with bibs for nurses, good quality, now 25c.

Rugs and Art Squares—We have in a great variety of patterns and prices handsome designs that are appropriate or useful gifts to mothers, wives or sisters.

Ladies' Purses and Shopping Bags—An absolute necessity to every woman and a gift that would be greatly appreciated. Purses and card cases in all the popular colors, and each grade the best that can be bought for the price, 25c to $2.

Dress Suit Cases and Hand Bags—Big line.

Ladies' Wraps and Furs are here, ready for gift buyers and are priced very low for such quality as they are made of. To see is to appreciate.

35c. Fringe Linen Towels, this week 25c.

Umbrellas—Another choice gift, and we have them for ladies and gentlemen in all grades, from 50c. to $2.50.

Men's fancy silk Handkerchiefs and Mufflers, 50c to $1.

Neckwear is always appreciated by the men and we claim the swellest line to be seen here. String, midget, club, four-in-hand and tecks, great variety of patterns, for 25c each.

Millinery—Our line is complete.

Ladies' fancy collars 25c to $1.

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Fine huck towels, 18 by 36 inches, 15c value, special price, 10c each.

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Why not give him something he will appreciate—a Suit or Overcoat, for instance?

Either would make an admirable gift—nothing more acceptable.

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We now have a full stock of Breech-loading Guns of several standard manufactures. Loaded Shells of all kinds, Gun Cases, Leggings, Shooting Coats, Hats; in fact a full assortment of season goods in the above line. We can make attractive prices.

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, at Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, November 10th, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$ 316,936 68
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	400 45
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. deposits	104,800 00
Bonds, securities, etc.	29,850 00
Banking houses, furniture, and fixtures	30,000 00
Other real estate owned	10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve a[illegible]	185,326 07
Due from State Banks and Bankers	130,092 68
Due from approved reserve agents	71,627 95
Notes of other National Banks	9,460 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	634 69
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	$35,366 00
Legal tender notes	39,694 00 75,060 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	5,941 50
Total	$1,849,192 02

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	125,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	78,806 70
National Bank notes outstanding	125,000 00
Due to other National Banks	186,498 91
Due to State Banks and Bankers	190,950 88
Dividends unpaid	320 00
Individual deposits subject to check	764,406 43
Certified checks	600 00
Cashier's checks outstanding	12,260 04
United States Deposits	101,500 00
Total	$1,849,192 02

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, J. W. Yates, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. W. YATES, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of November, 1904.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
C. W. YATES,
D. McEACHERN,
JNO. S. ARMSTRONG, } Directors.

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC Trust and Banking Co., at Wilmington in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business November 10th, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$447,398 63
Furniture and Fixtures	100 00
Demand Loans	35,250 0
Due from Banks and Bankers	17,904 18
Cash items	6,261 58
Gold coin	50 00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	134 80
National bank notes and other U. S. notes	720 00
Total	$506,138 17

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$50,000 00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	15,765 73
Deposits subject to check	405,328 44
Demand certificates of deposit	32,003 00
Cashier's checks outstanding	541 00
Accrued interest due depositors	2,000 00
Total	$506,138 17

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, ss:

I Milton Calder, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MILTON CALDER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of November, 1904.

S. M. BOATWRIGHT, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
L. B. ROGERS,
M. O'BRIEN,
C. W. YATES, } Directors.

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GHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES, 1904-5.

Atlantic Coast Line

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For Round Trip.

(Minimum rate 50 cents.)

Tickets will be placed on sale December 23rd, 24th, 25th, 31st, and January 1st, 1905.

Final limit returning to January 4th, 1905.

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H. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager,
dec 16 t 11 Jan 1 Wilmington, N. C.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 11

To Take Effect Thursday, Sept. 8, 1904, at 10.19 A. M.

GOING EAST. 2 Passg'r Trains Arrive	GOING EAST. 2 Passg'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Passg'r Trains Arrive	GOING WEST. 4 Passg'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 30	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 22	Kinston	10 13	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 27	9 00
7 55	7 07	Morehead City	.....	6 55
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 5.5 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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Schedule In Effect Dec. 1, 1904

NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 15 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 48 p m	9 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 58 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 58 p m	1 47 a m
Ar Petersburg	5 55 p m	3 53 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 09 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 45
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 35 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 15 p m
Ar Wilson	11 39 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 48 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH

SOUTHBOUND.

	*Daily.	Daily.	Daily
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 30 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 35 a m	7 30 p m	3 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 50 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville	8 40 a m	4 45 p m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	7 30 p m	10 38 p m	

NORTHBOUND.

	*Daily.	Daily.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 45 p m	9 00 a m	
Ar Jacksonville	7 55 a m	7 00 p m	
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m	
Ar Charleston	5 11 p m	5 55 a m	
Ar Florence	7 59 p m	9 25 a m	
Ar Wilmington	11 55 p m	1 40 p m	

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound *Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 3 40 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 20 p m	Lv 12 45 p m
Ar Sanford	1 35 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	8 25 p m	Ar 12 30 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

*Except Sunday.

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H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager. dtc 3 tf

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Between Wilmington and New York.

NORTHBOUND.	No. 60	No. 34
Leave Wilmington	4 35 a m	3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	8 50 a m	10 10 p m
" Southern Pines	9 45 a m	11 20 p m
" Raleigh	11 40 a m	1 30 a m
" Norlina	1 35 p m	3 27 a m
Arrive Portsmouth	5 30 p m	8 00 a m
Leave Richmond	4 55 p m	6 35 a m
" Washington	8 36 p m	10 10 a m
" Baltimore	11 25 p m	11 30 a m
" Philadelphia	2 35 a m	1 45 p m
Arrive New York	6 30 a m	4 15 p m

SOUTHBOUND.	No. 31	No. 45
Leave New York	12 25 p m	9 25 p m
" Philadelphia	2 55 p m	12 12 a m
" Baltimore	5 10 p m	2 37 a m
" Washington	6 25 p m	4 30 a m
" Richmond	10 00 p m	9 10 a m
Leave Portsmouth	9 00 p m	9 25 a m
Leave Norlina	1 35 a m	1 40 p m
" Raleigh	3 35 a m	4 00 p m
" Southern Pines	5 53 a m	6 16 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m	7 30 p m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m	11 50 p m

Between Wilmington and Atlanta

SOUTHBOUND.	No. 41
Leave Wilmington	3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	10 15 p m
" Athens	6 18 a m
Arrive Atlanta	8 40 a m

NORTHBOUND	No. 38
Leave Atlanta	9 00 p m
" Athens	11 23 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

Between Wilmington and Tampa

SOUTHBOUND	No. 43
Leave Wilmington	4 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	10 10 p m
" Columbia	12 20 a m
" Savannah	6 40 a m
" Jacksonville	9 40 a m
Arrive Tampa	5 45 p m

NORTHBOUND	No. 66
Leave Tampa	8 50 a m
" Jacksonville	7 50 p m
" Savannah	12 10 a m
" Columbia	5 30 a m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

Through Pullman Sleepers on all trains. Call No. 3 or address for any information.

E. B. WILLIAMSON, Agent, jy 26 tf Wilmington, N. C.

TO THE BEACH.

Suburban Schedule,

In Effect December 10, 1904.

Leave Wilmington.	Leave Wrightsville.	Leave W. Beach.
†7.00 A. M.	8 15	
10 00 A. M.		12 30 P. M.
3.00 P. M.		5 00 P. M.
*6 10 P. M.	7.30 P. M.	
*10 00 P. M. (Sat'day)	10.30 P. M. (Sat'day only)	

*Will go to Beach on request.
†Daily except Sunday.

FREIGHT.

(Daily except Sunday)

†3.00 P. M. 5 00 P. M.

The Company is not responsible for operation of this schedule.

GOLF GROUNDS.

(Daily except Sunday)

Leave Front and Princess Sts	Leave Grounds
†2.30 P. M.	5.00 P. M.

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The Morning Star

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 23.

WOMAN BLOWN TO PIECES.

By Explosion of a Cartridge Sent Her as a Present by Her Brother, a Sailor in the U. S. Navy.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DETROIT, MICH., Dec. 22 — Mrs. T E. Barnes was killed to-day in her home at 253 Pine street by the explosion of a "one-pounder" rapid-fire gun cartridge which it is supposed she was using for a hammer in the Christmas preparations for her two baby girls. How the explosion occurred is not definitely known, as she was alone with the children, but it is said by friends of Mrs. Barnes that she had used the cartridge for a hammer at other times. The cartridge had been in the possession of the Barnes family for some time and is said to have been given to Mrs. Barnes by her brother, William Mayhew, a gunner in the United States navy, who is thought to be attached to the torpedo station at Newport News. The woman's right hand was torn off at the wrist, her left hand was mutilated, part of the cartridge penetrated her breast and cut her heart and lungs and her back was also cut by parts of the shell.

Mrs. Barnes had left the children in the kitchen so that they would not see her preparing for the Christmas tree which was to be set up in the archway between parlor and sitting room. Evidently she had been re-arranging the curtains of the archway so that the candles of the tree would not set the curtains on fire. Using the cartridge for a tack hammer she was instantly killed by the explosion that resulted.

Neighbors found Mrs. Barnes dead on the floor exactly at the spot selected for the Christmas tree. Mrs. Barnes and her husband had lived here less than a year, coming from New York.

SEVEN MEN SUFFOCATED.

Several Others Injured, of Whom Two Are Likely to Die—Near Bolivar, Pa.—Cause of Disaster.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOLIVAR, PA., Dec. 22.—Seven men were suffocated to-day in the soft clay mine of the Reese-Hammond Fire Brick Company near here. The victims were Austrians. There were about twenty-five men in the mine, and all but seven were rescued, though they all were in bad shape and two are likely to die.

The cause of the disaster was most peculiar. A small building about sixteen by twenty burned down at the mouth of the mine. The air shaft from the workings to the surface, some distance in the mine, acted as a sort of flue and drew into the drift the heat and smoke from the fire, thus suffocating the men whose escape was cut off by the fire at the opening. As soon as it could be done, the burning shanty was torn away and rescuers rushed into the mine, but already five had succumbed to the heat and smoke and others were in a dying condition. One more died on the way out and another had reached the fresh air. The men were not burned in any way.

The property loss is trifling, not amounting to more than a couple of hundred dollars. It is supposed that the fire was started by a miner who went out to the shanty to eat his dinner. He is thought to have upset a lamp and ignited some oil.

VIRGINIA REPUBLICANS.

In Conference With President Roosevelt, To Reorganize and Make Aggressive Contest for Every State Office.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Virginia politics formed one topic of consideration by the President to-day. He had a conference with Representative Slemp, Judge Waddill, of the United States Court, and L. L. Lewis, United States district attorney for the eastern district of Virginia. The delegation informed the President that an important conference of Republican leaders of the State was to be held during the holidays at Roanoke, and that an effort was to be made to secure unanimity of action in Virginia looking to a reorganization of the Republican party of the State. It is proposed by the promoters of the conference to make the Republican organization an aggressive contestant for every State office. The President indicated his approval of the idea, but indicated, also, that he could take no part in Virginia political affairs, in supporting one faction or another. He expressed the hope that the Virginia Republicans would get together and act as a unit.

MURDERER CAPTURED.

J. H. Adams, Under Sentence of Death, Taken by Posse in South Carolina.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 22.—J. H. Adams, who was convicted of the murder of James Jaques, of Colleton county, and sentenced to be hanged and who escaped some months ago, has been captured by Sheriff Owens and a posse in Colleton county. A reward of $1,000 for the capture of Adams was offered. Governor Heyward received the following telegram from Sheriff Owens:

"Adams captured last night by posse and myself. Now in jail. Won't you allow me to transfer him either to Charleston or to Columbia for safekeeping?"

A reply was at once sent to the sheriff to bring the prisoner to the penitentiary in Columbia.

The little open-decker gasoline launch Sisama has started on her voyage of 1,800 miles across the Gulf of Mexico to Honduras. The Sisama is in command of Capt. Baird and her crew of four. She came from Detroit down the Mississippi to New Orleans and thence to Mobile. She will stop at Tampa and Havana.

I will assist you in the selection of your gifts, and enable you to save some money. I have about as complete a line as you can find. J. T. Burke, Jeweler. †

A Frightened Horse,

Running like mad down the street, dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable salve handy, and there is none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

NO VERDICT IN NAN PATTERSON CASE.

Jury Unable to Agree Up to 11:30 O'clock and Was Then Locked Up for the Night.

TOOK THE CASE ABOUT NOON.

Prisoner Expected a Speedy Verdict in Her Favor and Had Packed Her Belongings Ready to Leave--Great Interest Manifested.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Nan Patterson, former show girl, spent an anxious evening in the Criminal Court's building, awaiting the result of the deliberations of the twelve men who shortly after noon to-day were sent to a jury room to decide whether she should be branded as the woman who fired the shot that killed Caesar Young or liberated to join her family.

She had expected a speedy verdict and had even packed her belongings and left them in a cell, which had been her home for several months, but evening came and the jury went to dinner, and returned to its deliberations with no sign of what the verdict was to be.

The suspense of the early days of the trial when Prosecutor Rand put witness after witness on the stand to complete a chain of circumstantial evidence against her returned, although outwardly Miss Patterson seemed to maintain the same quiet demeanor that has characterized her from the beginning.

As the afternoon passed into evening various rumors were spread about the Criminal Court building as to the doings in the jury room.

"The jury stands ten to two for acquittal," was one of these reports. "One man is holding out," was another.

Some had the hardihood to name the juror upon whose refusal to acquit hangs so much for the former actress.

The fact that one of the jurors, after the charge of Judge Davis to-day, had asked that he might take the revolver with which Young was killed to the jury room, gave rise to stories that the jurymen were spending much time in experiments. But all these rumors were but idle talk apparently, for not an authentic hint reached the crowds congregated in and about the Criminal Court building as to what was actually taking place.

The great interest which the trial of Nan Patterson has attracted was never evidenced in a more pronounced way than this afternoon and evening. Excluded from the corridors of the court building several scores of persons stood outside the main entrance in the slush and snow and cold to night, waiting for word that the jury had at last come to an agreement. It was a very quiet crowd, but needed only the news of a verdict to start in a frenzy of excitement and cheering.

In the corridors of the building near Judge Davis' court were a hundred newspaper men and women keeping a constant vigil and picking up here and there scraps of information which filtered from no one knew where, concerning the jury, defendant and attorneys. During the evening the lawyers interested on either side of the case called at the building but did not remain, having made arrangements to be called in case an agreement was reached.

Miss Patterson, after the jury retired this noon, spent the afternoon and evening between her cell in the Tombs and what is known as the "pen" on the third floor of the court building. Most of the afternoon was spent in the Tombs. As she was led from the court after the jury retired she witnessed a marriage ceremony between two prisoners and congratulated them. For a moment her face brightened as though she had forgotten her own troubles, but soon after resumed its look of sad calm. While she was in the Tombs this afternoon she opened numerous telegrams and letters from relatives and friends congratulating her upon her defence and expressing the hope and wish that her freedom was near at hand. One of the messages was from her mother, who has not been able to attend the trial. It said she hoped to have her daughter home for Christmas.

This evening after dinner she was taken to the "pen" where she was joined by her father, who has been constant in the support of his daughter since she was first accused of the crime and who has been her faithful ally and companion every day in court.

No one else saw Miss Patterson during the evening, and the fact that she was taken from the jail to the court indicated that she still expected a verdict, notwithstanding that the jury had consumed hours in discussion without reaching a finding.

One of her counsel was about the building this evening but did not see his client.

The abiding faith of the young woman was shown shortly after 6 o'clock to-night when she expressed the opinion that the jury would acquit her. "I almost feel sure I will leave here to night, for the jury, I think, will not stay out all night."

When she said this her face was tense with nervousness and in her hand was the missive she had just received from her mother. It read:

"Dear Nanie: We look for you tomorrow because you said that the jury would set you free and send you to me to-night. I dreamed last night that you were with us again and it was Christmas day. God grant that the dream comes true, Nanie, and that I will soon have my little girl again."

About 10 o'clock the crowd of morbidly interested people about the court house gathered on the White street side of the building where they could see the little room in which the Nan Patterson jury was sitting. This room is on the second floor of the structure and though the curtains were drawn any movement made on the inside was plainly silhouetted.

Half of those gathered were women and for a time the people were quiet. Finally, however, becoming impatient, various cries were set up, directed at jurymen and this was continued for a long time.

The jury began its work of considering the evidence at about 12.35. At 2 o'clock the twelve men were escorted to a Park Row restaurant for lunch and an hour afterward again took up the case. At 7:30 o'clock court officers again opened the jury room and the men went to dinner. The men were a solemn looking lot and during the meal there was little conversation and fewer smiles. It was over an hour later.

To-day's proceedings consisted of the charge to the jury by Justice Davis, lasting something over an hour. He outlined the law and then sent the jury away. The judge adjourned his court late in the afternoon saying that if a verdict is reached before 11 o'clock he would return to the building.

No Verdict.

After an announcement at 11 o'clock that the jury would be locked for the night, Judge Davis was communicated with and he said he would allow the jury another half hour to arrive at a decision if possible.

The Patterson jury was locked up at 11:30, it being found impossible to arrive at a verdict to-night. Court will not reconvene until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The jury in not reaching a verdict greatly unnerved Nan Patterson, who waited with her father in "the pen." She was said to be on the verge of collapse when it was found at 11 o'clock that an agreement had not been arrived at up to that hour.

There will be no opportunity of hearing from the jury again until 10:30 to-morrow morning, the hour fixed by the court for a report from the twelve men who are to decide the fate of the chorus girl.

Immediately after the announcement that the jury was locked up for the night, officers cleared the corridors of the court building of scores of newspaper men and attorneys who had anxiously awaited news from the jury. Murmurs of disapointment were heard from the crowd, which seemed convinced that the jury would never reach a decision.

The latest rumor from the jury room was that three men were holding out against nine who desired to acquit the defendant. It was reported that the three jurors were at odds as to the seriousness of the crime. One juror is said to be holding out for conviction for murder in the second degree and two others are reported to favor manslaughter in the second degree.

One rumor was so definite that it named a juror who had asked if he might fire the revolver, as the man who is holding out for the conviction of Miss Patterson of murder in the second degree.

OFFICIAL CANVASS OF PRESIDENTIAL VOTE.

Total for the Forty-five States is 13,508,496, Against 13,968,574 in 1900—How the Ballots Were Divided.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The official canvass of the votes cast November 8th for presidential electors was completed to-day when the result was announced in Minnesota, North Dakota and Washington. The Associated Press is, therefore, able to present the official vote of all the forty-five States. The total is 13,508,496 against 13,968,574 in 1900, a decrease of 460,078. The ballots were divided as follows:

Roosevelt, Republican, 7,627,632; Parker, Democrat, 5,080,054; Debs, Socialist, 391,587; Swallow, Prohibitionist, 260,303; Watson, Peoples, 114,637; Corregan, Social-labor, 33,453; Holcomb, Continental Labor, 840. Roosevelt received over all 1,746,768 and over Parker 2,547,578. In 1900, McKinley had 467,046 more than all the other candidates and 858,984 more than Bryan.

The vote for Roosevelt was 409,823 more than for McKinley, while that for Parker was 1,277,772 less than for Bryan.

McKinley polled more votes than Roosevelt in Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Mississippi, New Hampshire, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. Roosevelt got more than McKinley in the other thirty-two States. Parker received more votes than Bryan in Delaware, Georgia, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, South Carolina and West Virginia, while Bryan got more than Parker in the remaining thirty-seven States.

The Republicans made gains over their vote of 1900 in thirty-two States, and the official figures show losses in thirteen.

The total gains of the Republicans were 732,049 and the total losses 312,249; net gain 419,709. The Democrats polled more votes in eight States than in 1900, but less in thirty-seven. Their total gains were 30,793 and the total losses 1,191,491; net loss 1,160,699.

Roosevelt carried thirty-two States against twenty-eight by McKinley and has 336 electoral votes under the apportionment of 1900. McKinley had 292 under the apportionment of 1880, there having been an addition of 29 by the last apportionment.

Parker carried 13 States against 17 by Bryan and has 140 electoral votes. Bryan had 155 under the apportionment in 1900.

Watson received his largest vote in Georgia, the total of that State being 22,634, with 20,508 in Nebraska, being nearly one-third of his aggregate, 114,637. Barker polled 50,218 in 1900.

The Prohibition vote in 1900 was 208,791; in November, 260,303, a gain of 51,512.

Four years ago the Socialists had an electoral ticket in 32 States and polled 87,769 votes. This year they had a ticket in 45 States and the Debs vote was 391,587. In 1900 over 5,000 votes were polled in only California, Illinois, Massachusetts, Missouri and New York. In November Debs got over 5,000 in California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Utah, Washington and Wisconsin, the largest number 69,225 in Illinois.

The vote of the Socialist-labor party in 1900 was 87,994. This year it was 33,453.

The Continental Labor party had adherents only in Illinois—really Chicago—where 830 votes were polled.

DR. AND MRS. CHADWICK

Jointly Indicted by Cleveland Grand Jury for Forging $5,000,000 Note Signed Andrew Carnegie.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 22.—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick and his wife, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, were jointly indicted by the county grand jury this afternoon on the charge of having forged and uttered a $5,000,000 note signed Andrew Carnegie. Dr. Chadwick is now on his way to New York from Paris and is expected to land next Wednesday. As soon as the indictment was returned, Sheriff Barry, of this county, made plans to secure Dr. Chadwick's extradition. He will meet the steamer on its arrival.

This is the third time that Mrs. Chadwick has been indicted by the county grand jury, but it is the first instance of her husband's name appearing in legal proceedings in the case. The indictments already returned against Mrs. Chadwick are similar to the one presented to-day, except that they cover notes of $350,000 and $500,000, signed Andrew Carnegie. Mrs. Chadwick was reclining on a couch before her cell in the jail when she was informed this afternoon of the action of the grand jury. She appeared not the least concerned and declined to make any comment.

On pleasant days there is no better place to spend an hour or two than the beach. The 10 o'clock car lays over at the beach an hour and three quarters. The 3 o'clock car lays over an hour and one quarter. †

New furs at Platt & Haar's. †

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JAPANESE CAPTURE STRONG POSITION.

Dislodged the Enemy from an Eminence and Repulsed a Counter Attack.

REPORT FROM THE CHINESE

To the Effect That the Russians Have Recaptured 203-Metre Hill—Japanese Warships Sail to Meet the Russian Squadron.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

TOKIO, Dec. 23, 4 P. M.—The Japanese troops have captured some important positions on Pigeon Bay.

A dispatch received by telegraph today from the Japanese army before Port Arthur says:

"The right column of the army at 5 o'clock this morning, taking advantage of the enemy's excitement, drove them off an eminence north of Houssanyentao, on Pigeon Bay, and occupied the position and at 7 o'clock dislodged the enemy from a height on the peninsula west of Houssanyentao, which we occupied, capturing one small gun. After the Japanese occupation of the positions, the enemy made a counter attack, but was immediately repulsed. At present our occupation of the positions is practically secure."

A Chinese Report.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—General Kuropatkin has telegraphed to the general staff that he has received a report from Chinese sources to the effect that the Russians have recaptured 203-Meter Hill at Port Arthur, with the guns mounted by the Japanese.

Kuropatkin's dispatch, which is dated Dec. 21, also reports some further reconnoissances of both the Russians and Japanese, but says they were not productive of important results.

The weather at the front is sunny and the thermometer registers four teen degrees Fahrenheit.

To Meet Russian Squadron.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS SETTLEMENT, Dec. 22.—Two Japanese cruisers called here this morning and left at noon. They reported that two Japanese battleships, two first class cruisers, two second class cruisers and twelve torpedo boat destroyers were near by steaming west.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 22.—A squadron of powerful cruisers, under Admiral Kamimura, has gone south to the China sea to meet the Russian second Pacific squadron.

Admiral Togo's Report.

TOKIO, Dec. 22, Evening.—A report received from Vice Admiral Togo at 10 o'clock last night says:

"A prisoner taken by our fleet, who is considered to be reliable, reports that as the result of our attack since December 18th, eight torpedoes struck the net of the battleship Sevastopol and that at least one took effect on her hull. This seems to have occurred on the night of December 15th or early on the morning of December 16th. The Sevastopol's crew was seen to be a state of confusion and a hawser from the shore was attached to the battleship.

"The torpedo which struck the hull of the Sevastopol took effect on the port side, damaging about eight feet along the rivet lines.

"The Sevastopol is now headed toward the outerpart of the entrance to the harbor, with her stern aground and her gun ports amidships almost awash.

"The ship is listing to starboard and the side lights in her deck are submerged.

"There is one torpedo boat to the starboard of the Sevastopol and one pumping vessel to port, together with one vessel resembling a mine-layer, all of which are busily engaged in pumping, but it will be difficult to restore the seaworthiness of the warship.

"On the night of December 16th one of our torpedo boats struck the hull of a Russian torpedo boat destroyer, and that vessel is now aground."

Another report from Admiral Togo received at 11 o'clock last night is as follows:

"After personal observation outside Port Arthur I found that the Sevastopol, which was attacked by our torpedo flotillas is now anchored in the shallows about 400 yards from the shore of Chengtiao mountain. The Russians are engaged in pumping but the Sevastopol is listing at least ten degrees with her bow slightly sunk. There can be no hope of restoring the vessel to a fighting trial, considering the present condition of Port Arthur and I judge she has been completely disabled. I also observed that the enemy's destroyer, which was torpedoed by us, has been destroyed."

Emperor Nicholas.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—Emperor Nicholas formally notified the country to-day that the agitation for a constitution and the convocation of a national assembly is useless. Such is the construction placed upon the endorsement written in his own hand on the resolutions telegraphed by the Chernigov Zemstvo December 20th, begging him in the most loyal manner to convoke legally elected members of the Zemstvos to present a programme of reforms for his consideration. The Emperor wrote on the dispatch, "I consider the action of the president to be presumptuous and tactless. Questions of state administration are of no concern to the Zemstvos, whose functions and rights are clearly defined by the law."

The endorsement is printed in the Official Messenger this morning dashing the hopes of the extremists. It did not come as a great surprise. The Emperor, from the beginning, although he has shown himself favorably disposed towards a more liberal regime and in e tire sympathy with some of the Zemstvo demands had resolved not to yield the principle of autocracy.

WRECK ON THE A. C. L.

One Man Killed and Four Persons Injured in a Head-on Collision.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Dec. 22.—In a head-on collision between a freight and work train on the Atlantic Coast Line, which occurred eighty miles from Montgomery, one man was killed and four persons were more or less seriously injured.

The dead: Jim Rhodes, flagman, body cooked under boiler. Injured: Henry E. McDonough, engineer, skull fractured, in serious condition; Carl Tally, fireman, arm broken in two places, neck nearly broken, badly bruised and burned; Thomas Walker, fireman, toes cut off, caught under engine; C. P. Ward, flagman, arm broken.

What you pay for extracts is important, but what you get for your money is ten times more important. Burnett's Vanilla cost more because it is worth more.

WEEK OF POPULAR REPERTOIRE.

Lyric Stock Organization All Next Week at the Academy—Up-to-date Bills.

With a coterie of well known players, a repertoire of New York successes and a corps of clever vaudeville artists, the Lyric Stock Company will come to the Academy Monday for a week's engagement, save Thursday night, at popular prices. In this engagement Wilmington theatre goers are promised the best popular priced attraction on the road. The company is not presenting old, worn-out plays, but the very latest dramatic creations and upon each is paying a large royalty. The opening performance will take place Monday afternoon. The occasion will be a grand Christmas matinee and the merry and well known comedy success, "The Lobster," will be presented. Monday night the bill will be "Only a Volunteer," which is a play novel in nature and new in construction. It deals with the present Jap-Russian war and two of the scenes are laid in Port Arthur. Of course for these scenes the company carries special scenery.

Between the acts of each performance given by the company a line of up to-date specialties will be introduced by clever vaudeville artists, including Messrs. Harry Wesley, Frank Sawyer, Al Levolo and Claude McClellan. Monday night the last mentioned will sing the stirring military ballad, "Only a Private, That's All," and the pathetic song, "For Sale, A Baby." Both songs will be beautifully illustrated.

Seats for Monday night will be placed on sale at Plummer's Friday morning. Tickets for the matinee will be on sale at the same place Monday morning.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Valuable Property Exchanged Hands by Deeds Filed for Record Yesterday.

Hosea Shepard and wife, of Harnett township, to H. Barney Shepard for $300, property in Harnett township on Page's creek.

C. R. Sanders and wife, of Roanoke, Va., to Anderson Stroud, for $45, property on south side of Wooster, 99 feet west of Twelfth street, 33 by 100 feet in size.

John W. Kerr and wife, to Edmond A. Kerr, for $1 and other considerations, three acres of land in the country. John W. Kerr and wife to E. A. Kerr, 55 acres of land.

Negro Fatally Burned.

A colored woman living at Ninth and Nixon streets was severely burned this morning about 2:30 o'clock at her home, and was transferred to the hospital, where she may die. The cause of the fire was unknown. A man who ran down to Fourth and Nixon streets told the officer on that beat that the woman was asleep and when she awoke the room was on fire all around her.

THOS. W. DEWEY

Passed Through Raleigh on His Way to Newbern to Stand Trial.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 22.—To-night Thomas W. Dewey, former cashier of the Merchants and Farmers' Bank of Newbern, N. C., who last year left the State, leaving his cash over thirty thousand dollars short, passed through Raleigh on his way to Newbern, where he goes to stand trial. He did not come under arrest, but surrendered himself voluntarily. It is understood that he has been in the West. Large rewards were at one time offered for him but these were withdrawn and only four hundred dollars of the rewards were still standing. He is of a prominent family, married, and the case will attract great attention.

WARM WIRELETS.

A. J. Davidson, president of the 'Frisco system, has announced that through freight service will be inaugurated between Kansas City and New Orleans on January 1st.

The French ambassador at Washington announces that he has been instructed on behalf of his government to present to the University of Virginia a bust of Lafayette, which is expected to arrive within a few days. The bust was reproduced from the original by Houdon.

Is it a nice tie, suspenders, half hose, collars, cuffs or anything else in the gents' furnishing line for Christmas? Our friends tell us they never saw a prettier line of such goods as are now open at our store. Come early to get best selections. This is the place: "At the Sign of the Golden Arm," I. Shrier, northeast corner of Front and Princess. †

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Call on A. S. Winstead for Oranges, Apples, Bananas, Irish Potatoes, and all kinds of country produce. A. S. Winstead, 213 Market street. Bell 'Phone 203. dec 22 tf

Mechanics' Home Association will open new series S. and L. stock Jan. 7th, 1905. Subscribe now. Nathaniel Jacobi, President; W. M. Cumming, Secretary and Treasurer. dec 21 tf

Wines—Pure scuppernong wines, country made. 'Phone 949. J. S. Westbrook, corner Fourth and Bladen streets. tu we fr de 20 6t

For Rent—Desirable rooms with board; privilege of bath with hot and cold water. For terms apply at 7 Church St. dec 17 tf

The Wilmington Business College, complete day and night sessions, will occupy third floor MacRae Building Jan. 2nd. Shorthand and Typewriting. Bookkeeping. Telegraphy. $5 month tuition. Get pamphlet and information from Mr. Land at Yates & Company 9 to 10 A. M., 4 to 5 P. M. dec 14 1w*

Wanted—Dress goods salesman and decorator to act as assistant manager. Must be progressive and up to date. Good salary for a thoroughly competent man. Address "Dry Goods," care this paper. dec 14 10t

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